

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 and 6-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Young et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,353,121 ("Young"). In addition, claims 4-5 and 9-10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Young in view of Yuen et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,477,705 ("Yuen"). Applicants have now canceled claims 1-10 and presented new claims 11-21. Applicants submit that the presently pending claims are neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by the prior art as explained below.

New claim 11 provides a television receiver that differs from the receiver devices described in Young. Namely, Young does not disclose, suggest or teach a digital interface for receiving digital television signals reproduced and transmitted from an external storage device. Moreover, Young does not include an on-screen display processor for generating an on-screen display signal from the digital television signals received from the external storage device. In other words, as provided in the presently claimed invention, the on-screen display processor will generate an on-screen display signal from the digital television signals sent back to the receiver via the digital interface.

This arrangement is not contemplated or rendered obvious by Young, which discloses storing recording program related information into a record memo RAM memory 236 once a program is selected for recording from a program guide. Such information is separately stored in a RAM location in the receiver, and as such, Young lacks an on-screen display processor to generate an on-screen display signal from the digital television signals received from the external storage device.

Likewise, as provided in new claim 16, Young fails to teach, suggest or disclose the method of displaying on-screen display signals including receiving digital television signals reproduced and transmitted from an external storage device and the television receiver via a digital interface and generating a second on-screen display signal from the digital television signals received from the external storage device through the digital interface.

The combination of Young and Yuen also fail to render obvious new claims 11-20 since Yuen does not supply, teach or suggest the missing limitations from Young.

Finally, neither Young nor Yuen disclose, teach or suggest the method of new claim 21, wherein the indicia element sets associated with first and second on-screen displays are substantially similar but wherein at least one of the first and second sets of indicia elements includes one or more distinguishing indicia elements to indicate to the user the input source of the television programming being received by the receiver.

Accordingly, it is believed that the present claims are neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by the prior art and it is respectfully requested that a notice of allowance be issued with respect to all pending claims.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he telephone applicants' attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

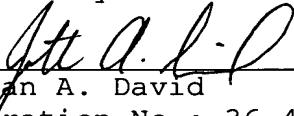
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If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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